



LEMOYNE-OWEN COLLEGE CDC

The mission of the LeMoyne-Owen College Community Development Corporation (LOCCDC) is to raise the economic and education levels of those people who live and work in the community surrounding LeMoyne-Owen College. To that end, LOCCDC fosters and sustains a community capacity building process that:

- Expands housing, education, recreation, and economic opportunities
- Eliminates racial tension, prejudice and discrimination
- Lessens sickness, poverty and crime

In 1999, LOCCDC obtained its first full time Executive Director and Housing Directors. These key staff (Jeffrey Higgs and Steve Barlow) invested the first year of operating the CDC in laying the foundation for a successful expansion of the CDC into the areas of Housing Construction/Rehabilitation, Economic Development, and Community Outreach. Funding for all three (3) areas was acquired during that first year.





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In 2000 LOCCDC worked with the City of Memphis and LeMoyne-Owen College to have dilapidated vacant houses demolished in our target areas. The CDC acquired vacant land in targeted housing development zones, and acquired houses for rehabilitation; LOCCDC completed minor rehabilitation on five (5) houses and completed two (2) major rehabilitated houses. In addition LOCCDC has begun major rehabilitation on three (3) houses. We partnered with United Housing and the City of Memphis to pre-qualify low-income residents for homeownership of ten (10) houses as part of the Bicentennial Neighborhood Initiative (BNI). Finally, LOCCDC has completed its first new construction of a two- story 1200 square foot single family house located at 1063 College Street for homeownership to help target low-income families.





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In October 2001, the City of Memphis awarded LeMoyne-Owen College Community Development Corporation the Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) designation. LOCCDC has begun construction for two (2) houses located at 1048 and 1050 College.



City of Memphis
Memphis Housing Authority/Housing and Community Development
LEMOYNE GARDENS STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE

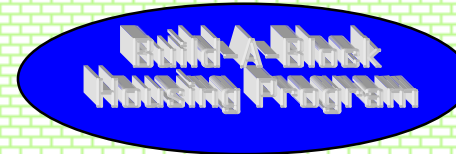


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